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U.S. Application No. 09/364,315

Attorney Docket No. ST9-99-078 / A8491

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No. A8491

Tom Thuan CHEUNG

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Group Art Unit: 2142

Confirmation No. 9277

Examiner: Hai V. Nguyen

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For: A MULTI-CONNECTION CONTROL SYSTEM

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For					
All Claims	55	49	=	6	X	\$18.00	= \$108.00
Independent	8	5	=	3	X	\$84.00	= \$252.00
				<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>= \$360.00</b>

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the above-calculated excess claim fee to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Additionally, the USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all other required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 as well. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 1, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

50. (New) A method of determining access to a system, said system permitting a predetermined number of simultaneous accesses, the method comprising:

receiving one or more requests to access the system; and

for each request, determining whether to allow access to the system using an access vector comprised of one or more access indicators, wherein a number of available access indicators corresponds to a number of the simultaneous accesses permitted by the system at any given time.

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